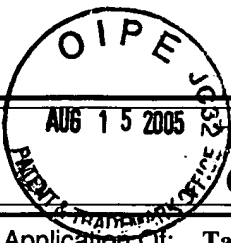


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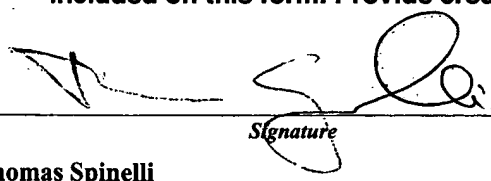
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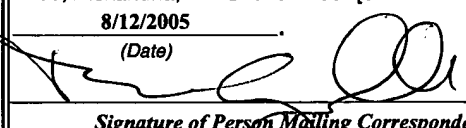
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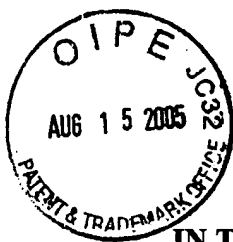
  
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Pursuant to the election requirement imposed in the Official Action dated July 15, 2005, Applicants elect the claims of Species I, i.e., Claims 1-7, 9, 10, 12-15 and 17-20 for continued prosecution herein.

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